The Oakford House HABS-NJ-349 Lower Alloways Creek Township, Salem County, New Jersey

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Owner: Norman Fogg

Date of Erection: 1764

Architect:

Builder: Charles Oakford

Present Condition: Fair

Number of Stories: Two

Materials of Construction: Foundation - brick

Exterior walls - brick with frame addition (not described)

Interior walls - plaster on lath

Inside brick chimneys

Roof - gambrel with dormers

Historical Data:

This house was built by Charles Oakford, a cousin of William Oakford (NJ-127), in 1674 as the date on the west elevation and the initials indicate - "I. H. O. 1764". The frame addition that has been added is of comparatively recent date.

The dates 1732 and 1745 have been assigned for this building by Shourds. However, the date in the gable is undoubtedly correct.

During its history the house has been occupied by members of the Oakford, Thompson, Ware, and Baker families.

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